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Amendment filed on 6/27/07 and Drawings filed on 3/6/07 has been considered and entered.

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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 27 June 2007 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☒ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.



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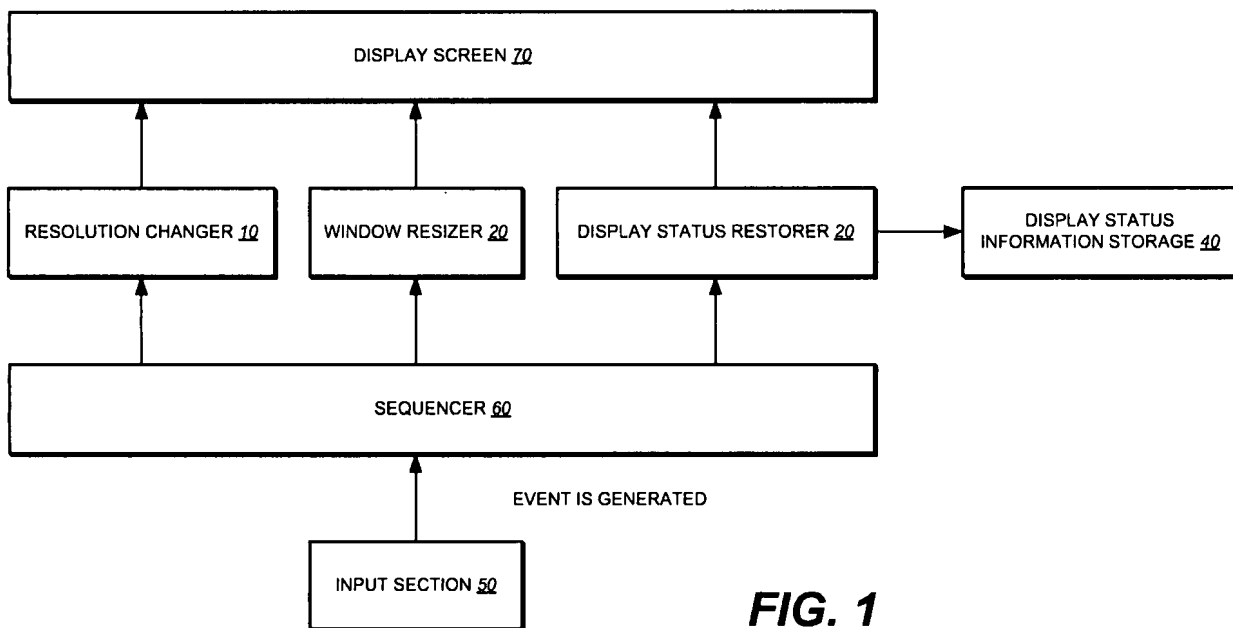


FIG. 1

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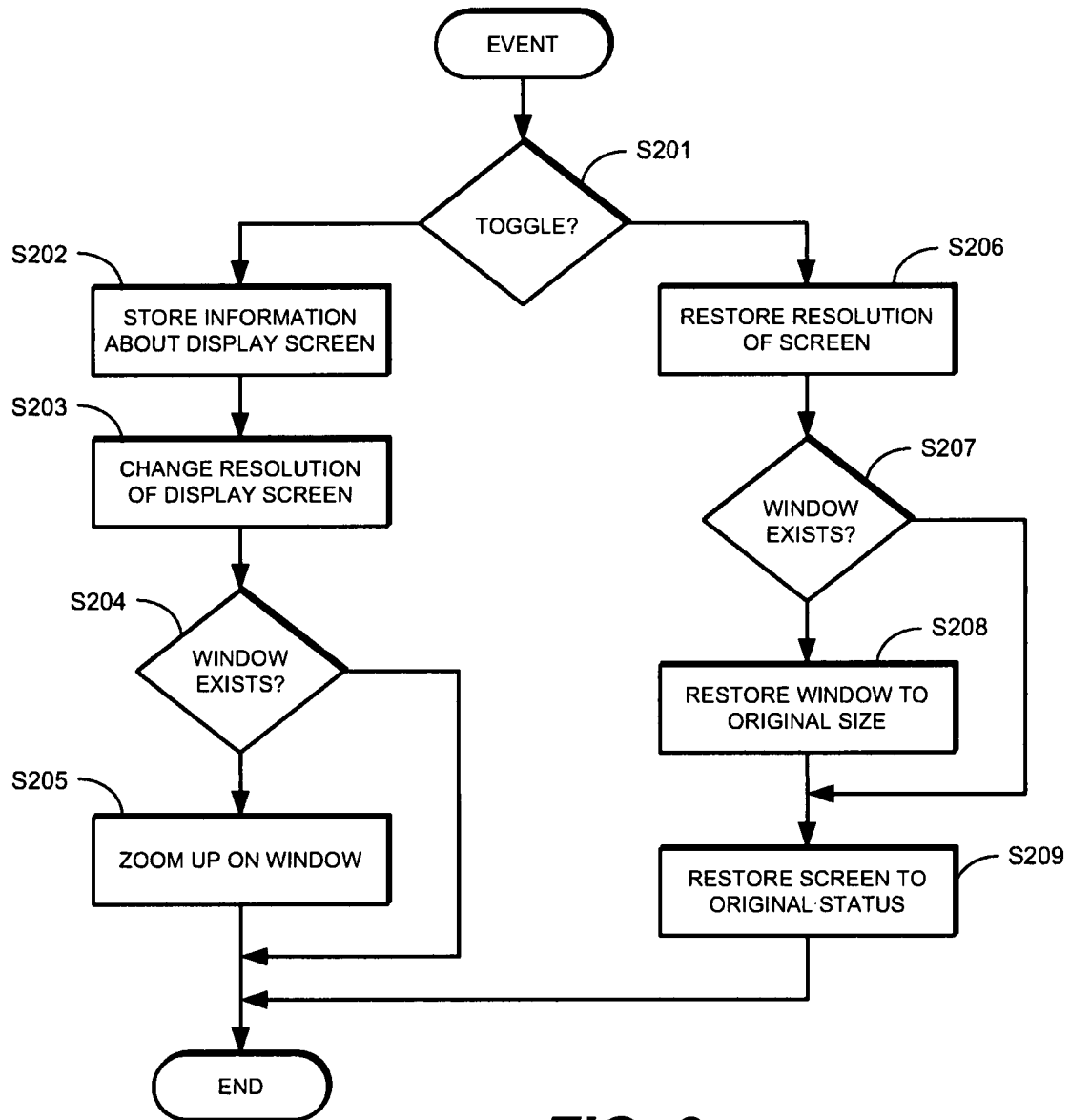


FIG. 2

FIG. 3A

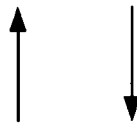
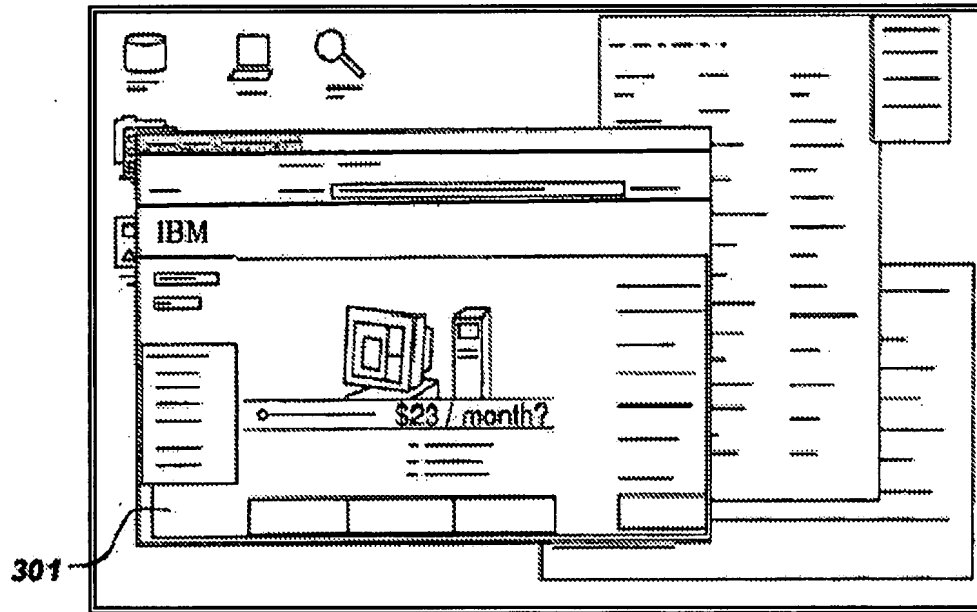
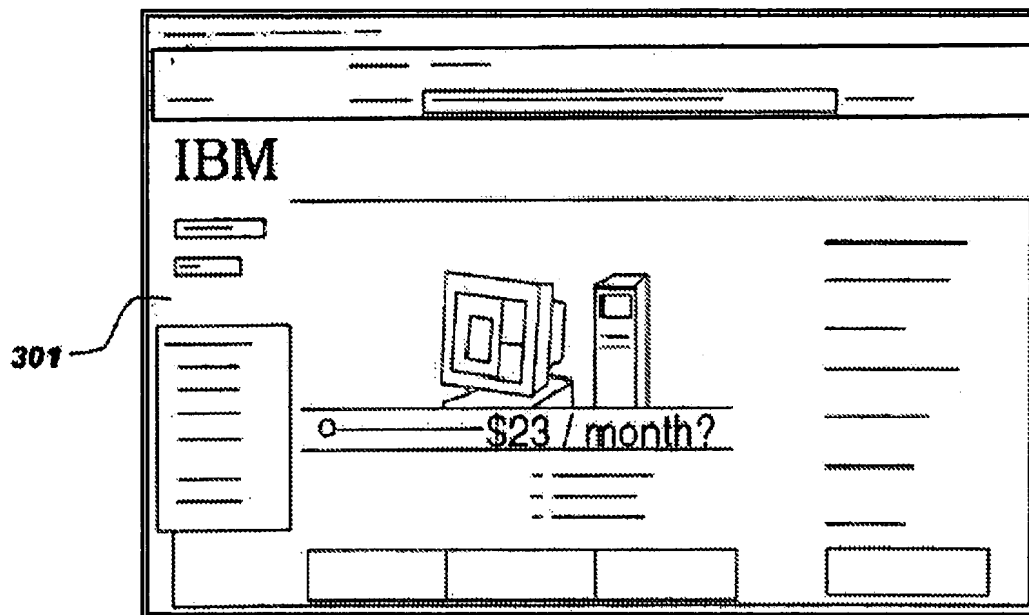


FIG. 3B



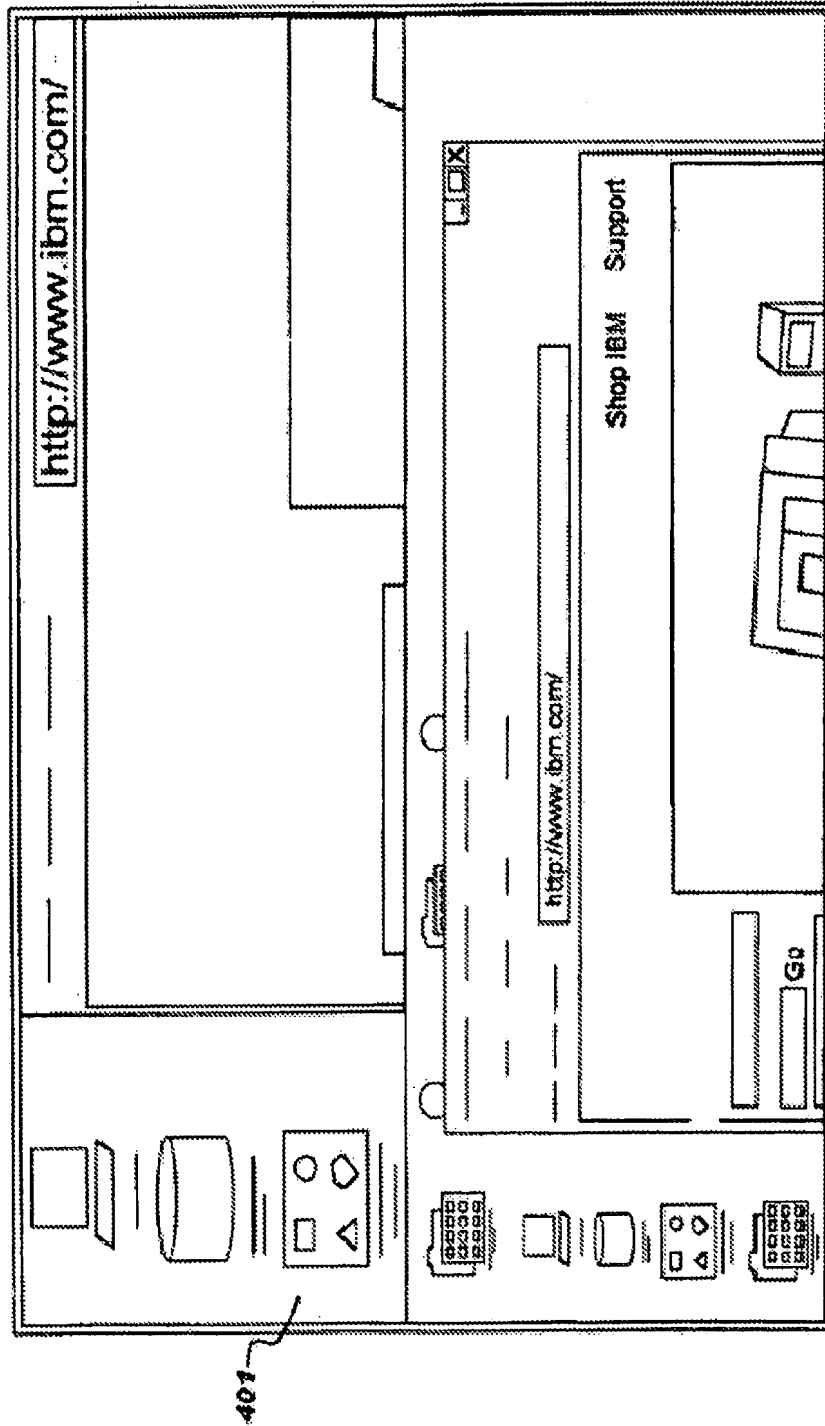


FIG. 4 (PRIOR ART)

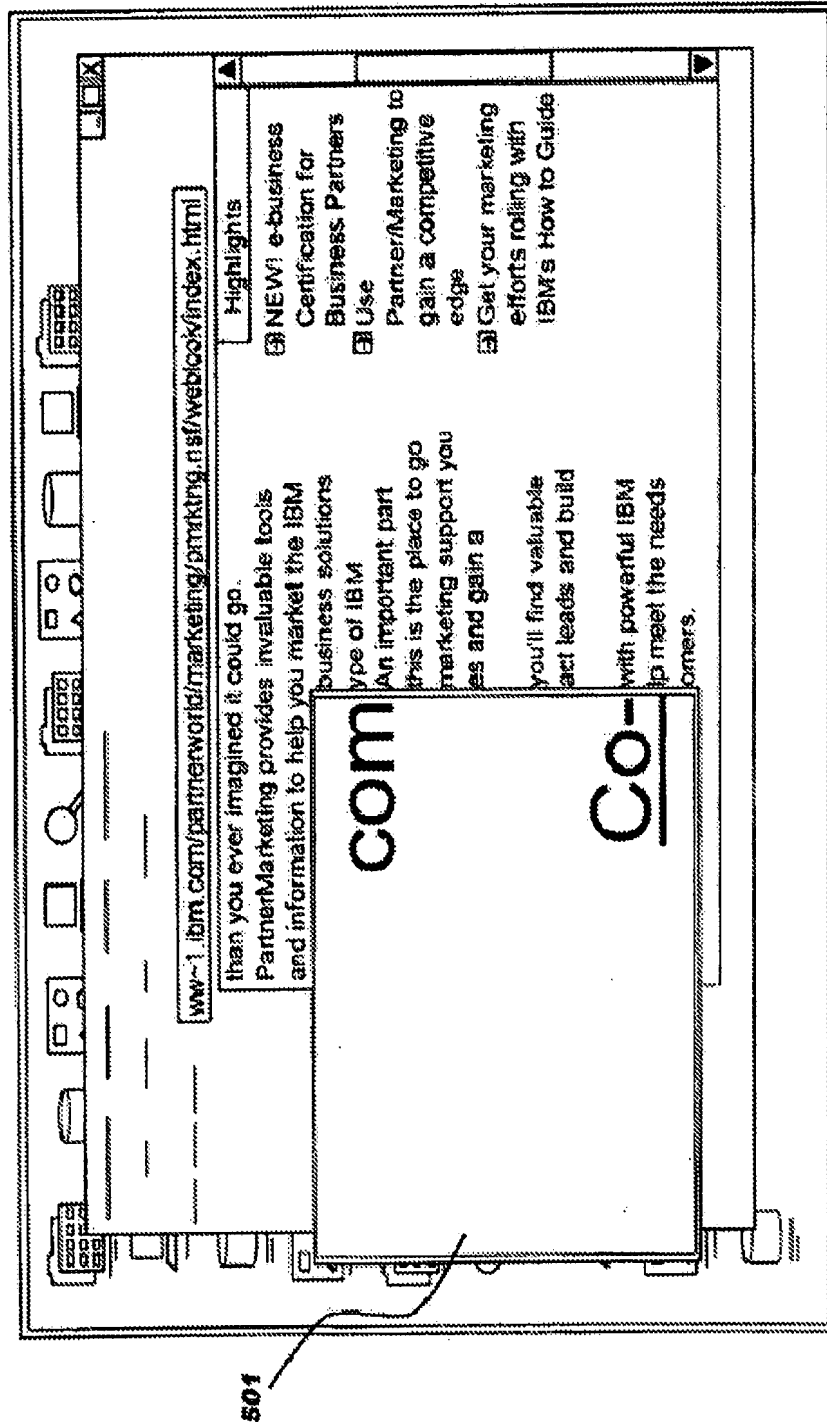


FIG. 5 (PRIOR ART)